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APPLICANT: Banning G. Lary et al. ...

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EXAMINER: M. A. Mendez

FOR: Method and apparatus for

sclerosing the wall of a

varicose vein

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

This is a timely reply to an Office Action dated December 3, 2002 (Paper #5). As no claims have been added, and no extension fee is required, no fees are enclosed herewith.

ELECTION

The Applicant elects with traverse to prosecute claims 1-8 and 10-34.

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